Yokich, as the UAW quality network representative.

Having shown a quick grasp of the make up of UAW activities, she was recommended for an appointment to the International Staff by Region 6 Director Bruce Lee. Upon that recommendation in August 1992, UAW President Owen Bieber appointed her to the International Staff and was relocated to the UAW headquarters in Artesia, California. Her first assignment was an International Organizer, and shortly thereafter there was an opening in the UAW Retirement Workers Department and she was assigned to that position where she spent the last 14 years. In that capacity, Carolyn coordinated and implemented UAW senior activities, programs, political action, lobbying events and all Get Out to Vote/registration Drives in California, Nevada, Oregon, Arizona and Washington State for over twenty-seven thousand UAW Retirees. Under Director Jim Wells leadership, since 1995, she elevated Region 5-West Retiree's to holding the number one title for UAW V-CAP fundraising drives.

Carolyn Tate's experiences as a working mother, union organizer, international representative, dedicated community activist, and political action and lobbying activities, make her an outstanding model for others, male and female, to follow and emulate. She has proven that in spite of obstacles that one faces in life, one can always strive to improve oneself by sticking to it and giving service to others.

HONORING NEELY MOODY

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the distinguished public service of Mr. Neely Moody, who until recently, served as Inspector General of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA).

Throughout his 43 years as a public servant, Mr. Moody has distinguished himself as a dedicated leader, one who faced challenges with determination, persistence and balance. This was true early in his 20-year U.S. Air Force career, and remained true throughout his 23-year DIA career.

From the time of his March 2003 appointment as DIA Inspector General until his retirement, Mr. Moody capably led the Office of the Inspector General in promoting the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of DIA and defense intelligence programs and operations.

Prior to his appointment as DIA Inspector General, Mr. Moody served as the Chief, Diversity Management and Equal Opportunity, where he effectively led the effort to develop and implement DIA employment opportunity, and diversity management policy and procedures. During his tenure as Chief, Personnel Security Division, DIA, he effectively managed the agency's personnel security program and promulgated Director of Central Intelligence personnel security policies within the Department of Defense.

During his military career, Mr. Moody served in diverse career specialties of security, counterintelligence, law enforcement, munitions maintenance, aircraft maintenance, and special investigations. He distinguished himself

throughout his active duty career, including in his final assignment as a Chief in the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations.

Mr. Moody's service to our nation has been recognized for his service and achievements in a host of ways. He is the recipient of the Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Executive in the Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service, the DIA Director's Award for Exceptional Civilian Service, the Director of Central Intelligence's Meritorious Unit Award and the NAACP Award of Recognition for EO, Affirmative Action, and Public Service. His military service recognition includes the USAF Meritorious Service Medal and Air Force Achievement Medal.

Mr. Moody is widely respected as leader, mentor and confidant. He has made a difference to countless individuals in the Intelligence Community and military. Moreover, he is admired for his commitment to continuing to make a difference in the lives of others in his retirement endeavors.

Mr. Moody's lifelong dedication and selfless service to our nation are an inspiration to all. I am proud to honor him on this day which also marks the passage of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007.

MINORITY SERVING INSTITUTION DIGITAL AND WIRELESS TECH-NOLOGY OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 2005

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, September 29, 2006

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act.

For years, reports have indicated that minority-serving institutions such as Historically Black Colleges and Universities have produced the majority of African American scientists and engineers.

These colleges and universities have created a strong pipeline of technical excellence among minority populations.

Young African American and Hispanic students, rising through the ranks and full of promise, see role models in the professors and scientists with whom they interact at these institutions.

The absence of consistent role models is a major contributing factor of why underrepresented minorities have faced challenges in increasing their numbers in our high-tech domestic workforce.

The Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act would establish a program at the National Science Foundation to award grants to such institutions to provide educational instruction in digital and wireless network technologies.

If enacted, the bill would also help minorityserving institutions strengthen their digital and wireless infrastructure and would also give them an opportunity to provide input for how grant proposals would be reviewed and evaluated.

One other nice point about the bill is that it encourages partnership formation between the institutions and third parties by requiring a matching recipient contribution of 25 percent of the federal assistance amount.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that minority serving education institutions are extremely valuable in supporting our domestic minority workforce.

Historically Black Colleges and Universities; Hispanic-, Alaska Native-, and Native Hawaiian-serving institutions; tribally controlled colleges and universities; and others tend to have a substantial high-need student population and deserve our support.

Mr. Speaker, I support this bill and urge my colleagues to vote for its passage.

IN MEMORY OF JIM WADE

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. HALL. Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege to pay tribute today to one of my best friends from childhood, Jim Wade of Dallas, TX, who passed away in May at the age of 85. Jim and I grew up together in Rockwall, TX and shared many wonderful times over the years. He was a great patriot who was devoted to his family, his State, and his country.

Jim attended Rockwall High School, studied at the University of Texas and graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1943. He served his country in General George Patton's 3rd Army in England, landing on Utah Beach in July 1944. His service in France, Luxembourg, Germany, and Czechoslovakia earned him five battle stars as well as a Bronze Star Medal for individual bravery for relief efforts of Bastogne in the Battle of the Bulge. Jim's later service included tours in China and Taiwan before he resigned with the rank of major.

Jim lived in Denver, San Antonio, and Beeville and returned to Dallas in 1959 to begin a long and distinguished career with New York Life Insurance Company. Jim and I shared an interest in public service and served together in the Texas State Senate. He also served in the Texas House of Representatives.

Jim was the last of 11 children born to Henry Wade and Lula Wade, all of whom preceded him in death. Jim followed in the steps of his father, the late Henry Wade, who was a longtime County Judge of Rockwall County, and in the steps of his brother, the late Henry Wade, Jr., famous Dallas District Attorney for many years, and along with the late Faires Wade, the late Ney Wade, the late Reese Wade, the late Mart Wade, and the late Joe Wade, all former criminal District Attorneys of Rockwall County, with Joe Wade also a longtime District Judge of Bee County. As they graduated from law school, the father would get them elected County Attorney and make the incumbent son move out of office to make room for the latest law school graduate. They were all successful lawyers, and Jim gave some good years to Dallas County as their State Senator. Four other family members, sisters Carrie, Nona and Lillian, and brother Dr. Colquitt Wade also were successful in life and active in politics.

Jim was devoted to his family and served his country and State with pride and dignity. His many leadership positions brought him respect, but his friendships brought him admiration. He enjoyed the relationships he cultivated with friends at the Dallas Country Club, where